

GERMAN NATION PUT ON RATIONS

Food Supply Is Diminishing.
Troops in Field Also
Suffer Cut.

ONE LOAF TO THREE MEN

Many Injured in Potato Riots at
Cologne—Bread Tickets
Recalled.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Copenhagen, March 5.—The news-
paper Politiken prints a dispatch to-
day saying that the German food al-
lowances gradually are diminishing.
The food supply for individuals will
be reduced to 1,400 grammes after
March 15. All existing bread tickets
will be cancelled soon, it is said.

Amsterdam, March 5.—Potato riots at
Cologne last Monday in which a num-
ber of women and children were in-
jured are reported in advices received
here today. The municipal sale there
opened with a mob besieging the mar-
ket, and the police found themselves
powerless to repress the disorder that
resulted.

After 10,500 sales had been made the
sale finally had to be halted. The
balked purchasers milled about the
market place for several hours, and
attempts of the police to disperse them
resulted in the fractious members of
the crowd being crushed and trampled.

Rations Cut Down.

London, March 5.—The German army
bread ration has been reduced from one
loaf a day for two, to one loaf for
three men, according to the British
official "excessiveness" at the front. His
latest report, dated March 2, follows:

"In the last few days there has been
little to record beyond further success
on the part of our artillery and our
minor infantry action, which was bril-
liantly executed. The British advance
north of the Bethune-La Bassée road has
now worked forward closer to the en-
emy's lines. Our guns remain superior
in the daily artillery duel."

"A sporting element enters into the
contest of sniping. The rival sharp-
shooters signal the result of the shots
to one another with a bug. In spite of
the common bond of professional mark-
smanship, each knows that one false move
on his part means instant death at the
hands of his unseen opponent."

"It would appear that the Germans
are not so well off for food as formerly.
During the last few weeks, instead of
getting one loaf for every two men, the
bread ration has been reduced to one
loaf for three men. They are not battling
with the loss of determination."

RELIEF PARTY SEEKS TRACE OF STEFANSSON

Expedition Carries on Search for
Missing Explorer on North of
Banks' Land.

Trinidad, C. I., March 5.—Search for Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the
explorer, and his party is being made by
a relief expedition under George H. Wil-
kins, to the north of Banks' Land, ac-
cording to information received here to-
day from English 35, stationed at Shingle
Point, Mackenzie Bay.

The Wilkins relief expedition set sail
from the island on the schooner Mary
Smith, a winter icebreaker, and has been es-
tablished about fifteen miles east of Macken-
zie Bay, where elaborate preparations
have been made for a wintered-out party.

Stefansson, who has not been heard
from for nearly a year, Stefansson had
been commissioned by the Canadian govern-
ment to explore the Arctic region, but
his boat was wrecked in an arctic gale.

New York Hotel Arrivals.

New York, March 5.—Washingtonians
at New York hotels are:

York Avenue—Nathaniel
Miss E. Blair, H. G. Campbell,
M. Pratt, R. E. Emerson,
Walter E. H. P. Jones,
S. G. Ekins, H. G. Connor,
Murray Hill—Continental
Mrs. A. D. Egan, G. D. Hanna,
York E. Kramer, R. M. McWade,
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I. C. Parker,
Marble Washington Grand—H. H. Pochin,
Marble Campbell, H. H. Pochin,
Harold Squares—Marie Antonietto,
P. A. Reynolds, Mrs. E. K. Roskier.

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Woodward & Lothrop, dry goods, etc.
G. Louis, toys and traveling bags.
H. Barchuk, silks and velvets, 231
Fourth avenue.

LUTHERANS PLAN CONFERENCE.

All Churches Will Send Represen-
tatives—Brotherhood Formed.

With a view to bringing the Lutherans
of the United States into a closer rela-
tionship, representatives of all the syn-
ods of the country met at the Willard
yesterday and organized the National Lu-
theran Brotherhood. A meeting soon
will be held, probably at Philadelphia,
at which one representative of every Lu-
theran church in the country will be
present and definite plans for the work
of the brotherhood will be discussed.

The committee that met yesterday was
founded in Washington four years ago
and is known as the Lutheran Brother-
hood of the General Synods. Those at
the conference were Senators A. J. Green-
na, of North Dakota, Senator Knute Nel-
son, of Minnesota; Clarence Miller, Phila-
delphia; W. C. Stoecker, Philadelphia;
Harry Dover, District of Columbia; Rep-
resentative J. M. Nelson, of Wisconsin;
ex-Senator Dick, of Ohio, and John L.
Zimmerman, of Ohio.

REPORT IGNORED BY BOARD.

No Special Consideration Given
It, Excise Men Say.

The District Excise Board does not
contemplate revoking any liquor licenses
before the beginning of the next license
year, November 1, despite the fact that
the Senate Investigating Committee
reached the conclusion that a number of
the saloons now in existence are operat-
ing in violation of the law.

This announcement was made yester-
day by Gen. Smith, president of the
board. He said that neither the board
nor the District Commissioners had given
any special consideration to the re-
port of the Senate committee.

Officials of the Anti-Saloon League will
meet Tuesday to plan a campaign for
the revocation of many of the present
licenses. It is the contention of the pro-
hibition forces that approximately sev-
enty-five saloons now are being oper-
ated in violation of the strict provisions
of the law.

The building of the New York barge
canal required the construction of
forty dams.

Purely Personal

The Washington Association of Dental
Surgeons will hold an informal dinner at
the New Ebbitt this evening. Dr. W. M.
Simkins is in charge of arrangements.

Maj. A. F. Pruden, chaplain, U. S. A.,
who has been at the Ebbitt for several
days, returned to duty at Fortress Mon-
roe last evening.

Earl E. Rose, recently connected with
the Electric Theater Supply Company,
has organized the Exhibitory Co-opera-
tive Booking Agency, with office in the
Bank of Commerce and Savings Building,
Seventh and E streets northwest.

J. Leo Yates, who recently was connect-
ed with the local office of the General
Film Company, has gone to Baltimore to
take charge of the United Film Service in
that city.

PEOPLE STARED AT HER; ASKS ALIMONY

Mrs. Florence C. Thompson Says
Husband's Conduct Em-
barrassed Her.

J. Ford Thompson, Jr., son of a noted
physician and member of a prominent
Washington family, was sued for a separa-
tion in the District Supreme Court
yesterday by Mrs. Florence Conrad
Thompson, who alleges that her hus-
band uses intoxicants to excess and
spends most of his time "carousing."

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were married
in March, 1907, at Geneva, Switzerland.
The mayor of Geneva performed the civil
ceremony. The religious ceremony was
performed by the Episcopal rector at the
Geneva church. The Thompsons
traveled in Europe until September, 1907,
when they took apartments in Paris.

The daughter was born in November,
1908. Mr. and Mrs. Thompson lived in
Paris, where Mr. Thompson studied art
until 1911, when Mr. Thompson came to
the United States. He remained here
until February, 1912, when he returned
to Paris.

From February, 1912, until February,
1913, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson lived in
Paris. Then Mr. Thompson returned to
Washington. In December, 1913, Mrs.
Thompson said in her petition, she re-
turned to Washington with her daugh-
ter, at Mr. Thompson's request. They
took apartments at the Montana.

Mrs. Thompson alleges that during the
stay of the family in Paris in 1912 and
1913 Mr. Thompson was addicted to ex-
cessive indulgence in intoxicants and
that he was "almost always under their
influence."

When Mrs. Thompson landed at New
York on her way home, she said, Mr.
Thompson was waiting at the pier for
her. He was so under the influence of
liquor, she said, that she was embar-
rased at the stares of the crowd there.

Mrs. Thompson asks alimony, a legal
separation and the custody of the daugh-
ter. George P. Hoover is her attorney.
Justice McCall cited Mr. Thompson to
show cause next Friday why the wife's
petition should not be granted.

MINE VICTIMS' FAMILIES TO RECEIVE THOUSANDS

West Virginia Officials Estimate that
\$200,000 Will Be Paid Under the
Workmen's Compensation Act.

Charleston, W. Va., March 5.—About
\$200,000 will be paid out under the
workmen's compensation fund as to the
families of the victims of the Lay-
land mine, where an explosion occurred
three days ago, according to an estimate
by State officials.

The widows probably will receive
\$20 a month and \$5 monthly for each
child.

Hinton, W. Va., March 5.—With
forty-six bodies taken from Layland
mine No. 2, of the New River and Pocahontas
Consolidated Coal and Coke
Company, which was wrecked by an
explosion on Tuesday, the work of
rescue went forward slowly today. The
main shaft of the mine is still blocked
and some difficulty has been experi-
enced in keeping the air fresh.

UNCLE SAM SUES ON POSTAGE.

Asks \$56,700, Alleging Misuse of
Franking Privilege.

Suit to recover \$56,700 postage alleged
to have been lost to the Postoffice De-
partment when 25,000 copies of "Sugar
at a Glance" were mailed under the
Senatorial franking privilege, was filed
in the District Supreme Court yesterday
by the United States against Truman
G. Palmer, secretary of the United States
Beet Sugar Industry.

It is alleged that the United States
Beet Sugar Industry compiled data con-
tained in charts used by Senator Lodge,
of Massachusetts, to illustrate a speech
against the Underwood tariff bill. These
charts were printed as a Senate
document.

The defendant, it is stated, substituted
for the charts a pamphlet on "Sugar at
a Glance" and said that they were mailed
at the instance of Senator Lodge, whose
frank was used.

It is contended that the documents
were compiled for the benefit of the beet
sugar industry, and that the \$56,700 rep-
resents the postage, at eighteen cents for
each pamphlet, which would have had to be
paid.

GUNS BOOM AT BURIAL RITES.

Maj. Gen. Bussey Interred with
Military Honors.

With simple military honors, the body
of Gen. Cyrus Bussey, civil war veteran
and former secretary of the Interior de-
partment, who died Tuesday, was buried
in Arlington National Cemetery yester-
day morning. Funeral services were
held in Fossdick, M. E. Church, Rev. Dr.
W. W. Wedderburn officiating.

The funeral was in charge of the Mil-
itary Order of the Loyal Legion, of which
Gen. Bussey was once local head. An
escort of cavalry accompanied the fun-
eral to the grave and, as the procession
passed Fort Myer, a major general's sal-
ute of thirteen guns was fired.

BRITISH LEADER HONORED.

"Medaille Militaire" Conferred on
Field Marshal French.

By FRANKLIN P. MERRICK.
Paris, March 5.—The Medaille Militaire,
the highest French honor obtainable,
was conferred upon Field Marshal Sir
John French, commander of the British
expeditionary forces, by Gen. De La
Croux, of the French army, at general
headquarters on Thursday.

Sir John is the only Englishman ever
to receive this decoration. Gen. De La
Croux, in presenting the medal, declared
that the French people are confident of
victory for the allies.

Hyattsville Miss Weds Here.

Hyattsville, Md., March 5.—Miss Fran-
ces A. Casey, second daughter of Mr.
and Mrs. William T. Casey, of Hyattsville,
surprised her parents tonight by
announcing that she had married Leigh
J. Maise, of Hughesville, Charles Coun-
ty. The marriage took place this after-
noon in St. Patrick's Church, Washing-
ton. Father Smith officiating. The couple
will make their future home in Hughes-
ville.

FRENCH FLIER WRECKS GERMAN POWDER PLANT

Huge Factory at Rottweil Set Afire
by Bombs Dropped by Lone
Raider.

By FRANK R. MERRICK.

Paris, March 5.—Details of the bom-
bardment of the German powder factory
at Rottweil, Wurttemberg, by Capt.
Happe, of the French aviation corps,
were given out at the war office this af-
ternoon. Capt. Happe, proceeding ninety
miles from Belfort, dropped four bombs
above Rottweil from a height of less than
5,000 feet. The explosion of these shells
resulted in an outbreak of flames at
various points and it is believed at the
war office that the powder factory was
destroyed. The official story of Capt.
Happe's flight follows:

"The powder factory at Rottweil is one
of the most important in Germany. After
traveling 150 kilometers (90 miles) from
Belfort in a straight line, Capt. Happe
descended to a height of only 1,500 meters

(4,925 feet) above the powder factory
in order to throw his projectiles with
greater precision.
"He threw four ninety-millimeter me-
linite bombs, the first upon the acid
reservoirs and the three others upon
the powder factory itself. The projec-
tile thrown upon the reservoirs caused
a thick smoke, which the aviator at
first took for artillery fire directed upon
himself. A moment later, however, a
burst of flame came from the same point
with columns of thick smoke, which
reached the height of his machine, 1,500
meters.
"The pilot remained ten minutes above
the powder factory in order to be able
to observe the effects of his bombard-
ment. He was able to establish the fact
that, in addition to this one chief fire,
flames also arose from different parts of
the powder factory, which were caused
by the explosions of the other bombs."

Alabama Bank Closes Doors.
Montgomery, Ala., March 5.—The Bul-
lock County Bank of Union Springs, Ala.,
with a capital of \$50,000 and deposits of
\$25,000, was closed today by State bank-
ing authorities and the deposits were
transferred to the First National Bank
of Union Springs. The suspension was
brought about by holdings of unne-
cessary notes on cotton.

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sented by Guy Garrick, Mr. Reeve's Sherlock Holmes.

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lage Postmaster.

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a remarkable story of how a man was wooed by his
sweetheart in much the same fashion as Shakespeare's
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ogy, whose glance turned her enemies into stone, re-
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